Minimum Qualification Specifications for the Class:

### FISCAL OFFICER I

## **Basic Education Requirement**

Bachelor's degree from an accredited four (4) year college or university with at least twelve (12) semester credit hours in accounting and/or auditing subjects.

#### **Experience Requirement**

Applicants must have had progressively responsible experience of the kind and quality described below.

<u>Accounting Experience</u>: Two and one-half (2-1/2) years of progressively responsible professional accounting or auditing experience which may have included teaching accounting at the university level.

<u>Supervisory or Specialist Experience</u>: Applicants must have had one (1) year of either supervisory or specialist experience of the type and quality described below:

- A. <u>Supervisory Experience</u> Professional accounting or auditing experience which included: 1) planning, organizing, scheduling, and directing the work of others; 2) assigning and reviewing their work; 3) advising them on difficult work problems; 4) training and developing subordinates; and 5) evaluating their work performance.
- B. <u>Specialist Experience</u> Professional work experience in a specialized area of accounting (such as systems design, adaptation, installation, evaluation and/or revision or fund control) or in auditing which involved performing work regularly encompassing difficult and complex situations and problems comparable in scope and complexity to the classes Accountant V and Auditor V in the State service. Such work experience generally involves responsibility for conducting studies and making recommendations to management for the development or revision of standards, policies, or procedures; providing technical advice and direction to management and/or line departments; conducting research for the purpose of implementing or improving accounting/auditing system(s); and/or developing guides to be used by management and/or line departments in the performance of accounting/auditing work.

Applicants with Specialist Experience and no Supervisory Experience must possess supervisory aptitude. Supervisory aptitude is the demonstration of aptitude or potential for the performance of supervisory duties through successful completion of regular or special assignments which involve some supervisory responsibilities or aspects of supervision, e.g., by serving as a group or team leader; or in similar work in which opportunities for demonstrating supervisory capabilities exist; or by the completion of training courses in supervision accompanied by application of supervisory skills in work assignments; and/or by favorable appraisals by a supervisor indicating the possession of supervisory potential.

<u>Fiscal Management Experience</u>: One (1) year of professional accounting and/or auditing experience which involved participation in the preparation of budget and the development of long-range financial plans.

#### Non-Qualifying Experience

The following types of experience will not be accepted as qualifying professional experience: 1) bookkeeper or minor accounting or clerical positions; 2) accounting or bookkeeping machine operators; 3) positions such as office managers or owners of business who supervise accountants, auditors or bookkeepers, but do not participate in the accounting or auditing work with responsibility for its technical adequacy; and 4) positions concerned with taxation matters not requiring the application of generally accepted accounting and auditing principles.

## **Substitutions Allowed**

1. <u>Substitution of Experience for the Basic Education Requirement</u>: The following types of experience may be substituted for education on a year-for-year basis. To be acceptable, the experience must have been of such scope, level and quality as to assure the possession of knowledge, skills and abilities comparable to those acquired in four (4) years of successful study while completing a college or university curriculum leading to a baccalaureate degree which included twelve (12) semester credit hours in accounting/auditing subjects.

The education or experience background must also demonstrate the ability to write clear and comprehensive reports and other documents; read and interpret complex written material; and solve complex problems logically and systematically.

A. Professional, analytical, or administrative experience which did not require the knowledge and application of accounting and/or auditing principles and practices, may be substituted for the Education Requirement on a

year-for-year basis, providing the applicant can show that he/she has successfully completed at least twelve (12) semester credit hours in accounting and/or auditing subjects from an accredited college or university.

- B. Professional accounting or auditing experience.
- C. Responsible experience which involved maintaining general journals and general ledger accounts and related books and accounts, and preparing balance sheets and profit and loss statements and related accounting and financial reports. Experience of this nature may be gained by employees performing duties as principal bookkeeper, Account Clerk III, or other responsible specialized classes requiring the preparation and/or analysis of financial statements and accounting reports.
- D. Any combination of A, B and C above.

#### 2. Substitution of Education for Experience:

- A. A bachelor's degree with a major in accounting, or a bachelor's degree with accounting and/or auditing coursework equivalent to a major in accounting, from an accredited college or university may be substituted for six (6) months of Accounting Experience.
- B. A master's degree in accounting or a master's degree with accounting and/or auditing coursework equivalent to a master's degree in accounting from an accredited college or university may be substituted for two (2) years of Accounting Experience.

## **Quality of Experience**

Possession of the required number of years of experience will not in itself be accepted as proof of qualification for a position. The applicant's overall experience must have been of such scope and level of responsibility as to conclusively demonstrate that he/she has the ability to perform the duties of the position for which he/she is being considered.

#### **Selective Certification**

Specialized knowledge, skills and abilities may be required to perform the duties of some positions. For such positions, Selective Certification Requirements may be established and certification may be restricted to eligibles who possess the pertinent experience and/or training required to perform the duties of the position.

Agencies requesting selective certification must show the connection between the kind of training and/or experience on which they wish to base selective certification and the duties of the position to be filled.

# **Tests**

Applicants may be required to qualify on an appropriate examination.

# **Physical and Medical Requirements**

| Applicants must be able to perform the essential functions of the position effectively and safely, with or without reasonable accommodation. |         |  |
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